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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT : Dependents Briefings

1. This is in response to your request for statistics regarding the number of adult dependents who should be attending your briefings in preparation for their going overseas.

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2. As you might suppose, such statistics are quite elusive. I talked with [REDACTED] of the Central Cover Division, with [REDACTED] Chief of the Central Processing Branch, and with Lou [REDACTED] of the transportation shop in Logistics. Each of them can contribute to the statistical picture but none can answer the specific question of how many adult dependents go abroad each year.

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3. However, here's what I learned. In Fiscal Year 59 Central Processing arranged travel for [REDACTED] dependents.

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Thus, for the persons whose travel was arranged by CPB, dependents constituted 59%.

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During Fiscal Year 59 [REDACTED] Assuming their families were comparable in size to [REDACTED], approximately [REDACTED] dependents would have gone out under [REDACTED] circumstances. This makes a total of [REDACTED] dependents for Fiscal Year 59.

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4. Nobody has ever stated the proportion of adult dependents to total dependents in CIA. However, a detailed study last year by the Central Cover Division showed that out of a group of [REDACTED] 45% of them were 12 years of age or above and 55% below 12 years of age. I would make the "educated" guess that adult dependents comprise about 35% of the total of all CIA dependents. Thus in Fiscal Year 59 you should have briefed 35% of [REDACTED]

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5. Central Processing Branch indicates that PCS travel during the current Fiscal Year is running at approximately the same level as that of Fiscal Year 59. Thus I think you can anticipate no noticeable change in the number of dependents you should be handling in coming months

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except as this change results from a growing number of teenagers in our CIA families. I am not aware of just where you draw the line as to who is or who is not an adult but I would judge that in some instances you may brief the older teenagers. If so, the number will swell your totals slightly.